MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not admit that it was not enforced.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know whether the Government will make an enquiry into these two appointments?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Will the Member be pleased to let me know to which two appointments he refers?

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Two vacancies recently occurred in the office of the Director of Public Instruction in the Rs. 75-100 grade. The vacancies happened to be that of non-Brahmins. But these were replaced by two Brahmins.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I shall make an enquiry.

Co-ordination of the Development Departments.

387. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): Are the Government aware that there is a general dissatisfaction at the working of the Development Departments under separate heads without any co-ordination, and if so, do they propose to work them under one common Directing Agency?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The question is covered by a resolution which has been ballotted for discussion at this meeting. The Government do not therefore propose to answer this question.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I ask the Chief Secretary what is the nature of the disability that prevents the Government from giving an answer?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The whole question will be discussed here to-day. Therefore it is not necessary to give the answer.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): My question is, "Are the Government aware that there is a general dissatisfaction at the working of the Development Departments under separate heads without any co-ordination." Are they aware or not aware?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The matter will come up in the course of the discussion and therefore I thought it is not necessary to anticipate the reply.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Is it a direct answer to my question?

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PRESIDENT: I think the implication of the answer is that the Government will discover in the course of the debate whether there is dissatisfaction or not.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Am I to understand that the Government have discovered that there is no dissatisfaction?

PRESIDENT: No, they are waiting to learn if there is any dissatisfaction.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I ask the Chief Secretary if he is aware that the Development Departments are directed by one single agency elsewhere?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Is he aware that there are Development Ministers elsewhere?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): They are members of Government. They are not heads of departments. Similarly there is the Dewan here.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Are there different heads for different departments?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Are they not controlled by one single agency?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): No, but by the Government in the Development Department.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Is there not a Development Minister in British India?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILAI (*Tovala*): Is he not responsible to the legislature for these Development Departments put together?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Is he not the directing agency of the department?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): He is not the directing agency but the agency which controls the policy of the Development Departments. The directing agency is the head of the department.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): If so, do the Goverrment propose to have the different Development Departments in Travancore worked under one common directing agency as in British India?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already answered that the Government do not propose to answer the question pending the discussion of the resolution on the subject.

Revision of Puduval Rules.

388. **MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken steps for the revision of the *Puduval* Rules as was promised in the last Budget Session of the Council?

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